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In re Application of
Nishikawa et al.
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DECISION
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This is a decision on applicant's "Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.182 Concerning Inventor Name Change filed on 29 May 2002.

A review of the application file reveals that the name of the eighth inventor listed in the international application was "TAKEI, Naomi" while the name is listed in the declaration as "Naomi Masuda." The instant petition asserts that this inventor's name was changed due to marriage. The petition is supported by a "Declaration Of Naomi Masuda Concerning Name Change which explains the circumstances surrounding the alleged name change and which is signed by the inventor. This petition is satisfactory under the practice explained in Section 605.04(c) of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure. Thus, it would be appropriate to accept the name and signature of Naomi Masuda on the declaration.

DECISION

For the above reasons, the petition is GRANTED.

This application is being returned to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) for further processing. The date of this application under 35 U.S.C. 371 is 19 February 2002.

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